

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA :
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-v- : 20-CR-135-7 (JMF)
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ABBAS OZKURT, : ORDER
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Defendant. :
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JESSE M. FURMAN, United States District Judge:

The Court has been advised that the Defendant may want to enter a change of plea.

Accordingly, the parties shall appear for a conference with the Court on **November 15, 2021 at 2:30 p.m.** in **Courtroom 1105** of the Thurgood Marshall Courthouse, 40 Centre Street, New York, New York. Unless and until the Court orders otherwise, the proceeding will be held in person.

The Court notes that, in the event a change of plea is accepted, counsel should be prepared to address whether the Defendant should be remanded to the custody of the United States Marshal. *See* 18 U.S.C. § 3142(a)(2); *see also United States v. Lea*, 360 F.3d 401, 403 (2d Cir. 2004) (holding that a defendant subject to § 3143(a)(2) who cannot meet that Section's requirements may nevertheless "be released if (1) the district court finds that the conditions of release set forth in § 3143(a)(1) have been met, and (2) 'it is clearly shown that there are exceptional reasons why [the defendant's] detention would not be appropriate,'" and defining "exceptional reasons" (quoting 18 U.S.C. § 3145(c)).

All members of the public, including attorneys, must complete a questionnaire and have their temperature taken before being allowed entry into the Courthouse. **Attached to this Order are instructions and a link to the questionnaire.** In light of these protocols, counsel and Defendant should arrive at the Courthouse early to ensure that the proceeding can begin on time. A mask (fully covering the mouth and nose) must be worn at all times while in the Courthouse. (Please note that

bandanas, neck gaiters, or masks with exhalation valves or vents are not permitted.) If someone does not have adequate face covering, it will be provided upon entry by the Court Security Officers.

In the interest of public health, and in order to comply with social distancing protocols, **the parties are strongly encouraged to limit the number of people in the courtroom as much as possible.** Indeed, seating at both counsel table and in the public area of the courtroom will be severely limited. In view of those limitations and the restrictions on entry into the Courthouse, the parties should immediately alert the Court if they anticipate the need for an overflow courtroom.

Finally, **counsel are strongly encouraged to ensure that any documents requiring a signature are signed in advance of the proceeding and to submit any and all relevant documents to the Court in advance of the proceeding (via ECF or email, as appropriate).**

SO ORDERED.

Dated: November 8, 2021
New York, New York



JESSE M. FURMAN
United States District Judge

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